

In the Claims:

1. (currently amended) A stripe layout assembly for use with a hand operable paint striping machine comprising:
 - a) an elongated arm member having a connecting end member and a distal end, said connecting end member being constructed and arranged for connection to a paint striping machine with a paint spray head mounted at the front thereof, said arm member having a hinge member providing vertical movement for said elongated arm member;
 - b) marking means attached at the distal end of said elongated arm member, said marking means comprising a movable extension bracket and a marking element mounted thereto; and
 - c) activation means operable from the paint striping machine and being communicatively connected to said extension bracket to position and align said marking means with respect to the paint spray head of the striping machine and with the surface to be marked.
2. (canceled)
3. (original) The stripe layout assembly of **Claim 1**, wherein said elongated arm member comprises an adjustable arm having a plurality of telescoping arm sections.
4. (original) The stripe layout assembly of **Claim 1**, wherein a wheel is mounted at said distal end of said elongated arm member.
5. (canceled)

6. (currently amended) The stripe layout assembly of **Claim 5 1**, wherein said marking element is selected from the group of marking elements consisting of a stick of chalk, a chalk dispenser, an etching element and a scribing element.
7. (currently amended) The stripe layout assembly of **Claim 1**, wherein said activation means comprises a cable connected at one end to said extension bracket of said elongated arm member and to an operating lever at the opposite end.
8. (original) The stripe layout assembly of **Claim 7**, wherein said operating lever is mounted to the paint striping machine.
9. (currently amended) The stripe layout assembly of **Claim 1**, wherein said connecting end member includes an horizontal adjustment device which permits the horizontal rotation of said arm member with respect to the paint spray head of the paint striping machine, said adjustment device having a plate member with adjustment apertures, a pivot pin and a locking pin for positioning in said adjustment apertures.
10. (canceled)
11. (currently amended) A stripe layout assembly for attachment to a paint striping machine with a paint spray head comprising:
 - a) means to attach said assembly to the paint striping machine, said means to attach including a stationary arm section and a hinge member for mounting to the paint striping machine;
 - b) an elongated arm member attached to and extending from said hinge member of said means to attach; and
 - c) activatable marking means connected to said elongated arm member for marking

a stripe on a surface parallel to a stripe painted by the paint striping machine, said marking means being activatable from the paint striping machine to position said marking means with respect to the spray head of the paint striping machine.

12. (canceled)

13. (currently amended) The stripe layout assembly of **Claim 12**, wherein a horizontally pivotable adjustment means is attached between said means to attach said assembly and to said hinge member for horizontally adjusting and positioning said elongated arm member with respect to the spray head of the paint striping machine.

14. (original) The stripe layout assembly of **Claim 11**, wherein said elongated arm member comprises a plurality of adjustable arm sections.

15. (original) The stripe layout assembly of **Claim 11**, wherein a wheel is mounted at the terminal end of said elongated arm member.

16. (canceled)

17. (currently amended) The stripe layout assembly of **Claim 12**, wherein ~~said activation~~able marking means comprises a cable in communication with said marking means.

18. (currently amended) A stripe layout assembly for attachment to a paint striping machine having a spray head comprising:

~~b)~~a) means to attach said assembly to the paint striping machine;

b) ~~an~~ a vertically and horizontally movable elongated arm member extending from

said means to attach for vertically and horizontally moving said stripe layout assembly, said elongated arm member being adjustable in length and further including a hinge member to provide vertical movement and a horizontal adjustment device to move and adjust said elongated arm member with respect to the spray head of the paint striping machine;

- c) activatable marking means connected to said elongated arm member for marking a stripe on a surface parallel to a stripe painted by the paint striping machine; and
- d) activation means to position said marking means on the surface to be marked with respect to the spray head of the paint striping machine.

19. (canceled)

20. (currently amended) The stripe layout assembly of **Claim 19 18**, wherein a horizontal adjustment means is attached to said hinge member, wherein said elongated arm member comprises a plurality of adjustable arm sections and wherein a wheel is mounted at the terminal end of said elongated arm member.

21. (new) The stripe layout assembly of **Claim 11**, wherein said connecting end member includes an adjustment device which permits the horizontal rotation of said arm member with respect to the paint spray head of the paint striping machine, said adjustment device having a pivot pin, adjustment apertures and a locking pin.

22. (new) The stripe layout assembly of **Claim 18**, wherein said connecting end member includes an adjustment device which permits the horizontal rotation of said arm member with respect to the paint spray head of the paint striping machine, said adjustment device having a pivot pin, adjustment apertures and a locking pin.

23. (new) The stripe layout assembly of **Claim 18**, wherein said horizontal adjustment device comprises a plate member with adjustment apertures, a pivot pin and a locking pin for positioning in said adjustment apertures.
24. (new) The stripe layout assembly of **Claim 18**, wherein said marking means includes an extension bracket and a marking element, said extension bracket being communicatively connected to said activation means.
25. (new) The stripe layout assembly of **Claim 24**, wherein said marking element is selected from the group of marking elements consisting of a stick of chalk, a chalk dispenser, an etching element and a scribing element.
26. (new) The stripe layout assembly of **Claim 1**, wherein said elongated arm member comprises a plurality of adjustable arm sections including a terminal arm section each having measuring marks to aid in the positioning of said marking means.

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested and no additional fee is paid since the total number of claims of this Amendment has not increased. Please cancel **Claims 2, 5, 10, 12, 16 and 19**.